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SUPPLEMENT

1. Haolikang (approximate coordinates 130-17.47-05)

a. Plans are being made to establish a school for Japanese officials at Haolikang. The Chinese Communists requested the Japanese to furnish 2,600 men who might be trained to be officials. Only 2,000 Japanese were sent, however. The remaining 600 will be conscripted from Japanese still in the North.

2. Teitsihar

a. There is a school called Nippon Jinmin Kanbu Gakko (日本人民幹部学校) (Japanese Officer's School). The students are taught Communism in hopes that they will continue the movement in Japan. There are 100 students there, and there are no requirements for entrance. Attendance is entirely voluntary. The teachers are from Yenian. The students hold rallies in which the Japanese are assembled and handed pamphlets.

3. Lungching (129-26.42-47)

a. On 17 July 1946 the Japanese Socialist Democratic Alliance was formed. The man nominally in charge was MATSUKI (松本), who came from Yenian and was attached to the Communist Chientao Headquarters. The actual head in Lungching was SAKURAI (櫻井). (This name may be an alias.) SAKURAI was on the Police Force. Other leaders are UEDA Riichi (上田利一) and TAKEDA Masahiko (竹田正彦). Both came from Central China, where they had formerly been Japanese soldiers and had been captured. The Japanese Socialist Democratic Alliance negotiated for the betterment of Japanese wages. At first they were 7 yuan per day, later 10 yuan; in March 1946, 20 yuan, and in July 40 yuan. After the Japanese Democratic Alliance was formed, the rate was set at 80 yuan per day.

b. The Japanese Social Democratic Alliance was reorganized to become the Japanese Social Democratic Alliance Preparatory Council. NAKANISHI Kenichi (中野健一), who had been previously connected with the Young People's Communist Asan, and who worked in the coal mines, became its head. The vice head was UEDA Riichi. These two men principally handled the propaganda material. On 18 August the Chientao Headquarters ordered the propaganda project disbanded. The main work after that was centered around the Japanese Repatriation Board.

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SAKURAL became head of the Technicians Society. KAKUNISHI handled the planning, TAKEDA handled propaganda, SATO (佐藤) headed the finance branch, and TERAOKA (寺尾) handled general affairs and sanitation.

c. It was believed that the Japanese people would not be receptive to pure Communism and it was therefore decided to take a middle of the road course to indoctrinate them to accept Communism. The first step was to organize the Japanese Social Democratic Alliance, which was followed by the Japanese Social Democratic Alliance Preparatory Council. Eventually, a Communist society would be set up.

1. Antu (120-22, 142-34)

There are two Japanese Communists in Antu. One, TAKIDA Minoru (滝田 実郎) treated the Japanese very badly. He is at present in the police department of the City Administration. He believes that the Japanese Communists in eastern Manchuria are all from Yenan.

5. Munchun (130-22, 142-52)

ISHIDA (石田 正) the Vice President of the Japanese Assn. in Munchun is a leading Japanese Communist. He was responsible for the killing of three wealthy Japanese named HACHIOKA (八尾岡 正), AOYAMA (青山 正), and KAKIYAMA (河村 正). He reported them to the 8th Route Army during August 1946 and all three were shot. ISHIDA is around 29 years of age. [redacted] stated there are other Japanese Communists, but he doesn't know whether they are active Communists or have turned Communist to "save their necks." [redacted] believes the [redacted] and [redacted] of the Japanese Association, both KURO and ISHIDA are at present in Munchun.

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